

Amendments To Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended). A computer implemented method for facilitating the allocation of fees and costs that are associated with a travel-related transaction comprising the steps of:
 - receiving travel reservation data, from a travel reservation system, related to said travel-related transaction, wherein said travel reservation data facilitates charging a fee, from an automated billing system;
 - establishing obtaining a user profile;
 - charging an account for a cost related to said travel-related transaction;
 - determining at least one said fee using based upon said travel reservation data and based upon said user profile, wherein said fee represents an extra charge related to said travel-related transaction in addition to said cost;
 - charging said fee to an said account; and
 - providing an enhanced descriptive billing statement, wherein said enhanced descriptive billing statement:
 - (i) recites said cost related to said travel-related transaction;
 - (ii) separately recites said fee; and
 - (iii) recites indicia indicating that said fee and said cost are related to each other, with fee reconciling information;
 - wherein said receiving, establishing, determining, and charging steps are performed by at least one computer.
2. (Currently Amended). The method of claim 1 wherein said ~~automated billing system~~ travel reservation system is a Computer Reservation System.
3. (Currently Amended). A computer implemented method for facilitating the allocation of fees and costs that are associated with a travel-related transaction comprising the steps of:
 - receiving Passenger Name Record data from a travel reservation system, wherein said Passenger Name Record data includes information that facilitates charging a fee associated with said travel-related transaction-an automated billing system;

~~establishing~~ obtaining a user profile; and
charging an account for a cost of said travel-related transaction;
~~determining at least one said fee using based upon~~ said Passenger Name Record
data and based upon said user profile, wherein said fee represents an extra
charge related to said travel-related transaction in addition to said cost;
charging said fee to ~~an said account, wherein said data is Passenger Name Record~~
~~data,~~ wherein said receiving, establishing, determining, and charging steps
are performed by at least one computer.

4. (Original). The method of claim 3 wherein said fee is charged to an account associated with said user profile.
5. (Currently Amended). The method of claim 1 further including the step of providing a portion of said travel reservation data to a management information system for providing periodic enhanced descriptive billing statements reports.
6. (Currently Amended). The method of claim 1 further including the steps of:
 formatting said travel reservation data in a Passenger Name Record data format;
 and
 ~~providing said data to said Computer Reservation System.~~
7. (Cancelled).
8. (Original). The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of providing said account with fee reconciling information.
9. (Cancelled).
10. (Original). A digital storage medium having instructions stored thereon configured to execute the method of claim 1.
11. (Previously Presented). A system for facilitating allocation of fees, said system comprising:
 means for receiving data from an accounting system;
 means for receiving a user profile;

means for determining a fee to be charged for assistance by a facilitating entity based on said user profile and data;

means for charging said fee to an account associated with said user profile; and

means for providing reconciliation information that is configured to facilitate reconciling said fee to the related purchase on a billing statement for said account.

12. (Original). The system of claim 11, wherein said data further comprises Passenger Name Record data.
13. (Original). The system of claim 12, wherein said data is received from a Computer Reservation System.
14. (Original). The system of claim 11, wherein said processing system is further configured to assist said credit entity in providing an enhanced billing statement comprising fee reconciliation information.
15. (Canceled).
16. (Currently Amended). The system of claim 11, wherein said processing system further provides data to a management information system for providing said facilitating entity with periodic enhanced descriptive billing statements-reports.
17. (Previously Presented). A computer implemented method for facilitating allocation of fees for use by a travel agency, wherein said travel agency assists a traveler in making travel-related purchases from a merchant entity, said method comprising the steps of:
 - receiving Passenger Name Record data from an accounting system, said accounting system configured to receive Passenger Name Record data from a Computer Reservation System;
 - receiving a user profile;
 - comparing said Passenger Name Record data to information in said user profile to determine a fee to be charged for said assistance by said travel agency;
 - and

charging said fee to an account associated with said user profile, wherein said receiving, comparing, and charging steps are performed by at least one computer.

18. (Previously Presented). The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of facilitating the enhancement of a billing statement with fee reconciliation information.
19. (Previously Presented). The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of providing a credit entity with fee reconciliation information.
20. (Original). The method of claim 18, further comprising the step of charging said fee to a different account than the account used to charge for the cost of said travel-related purchase.
21. (Original). The method of claim 18, further comprising the steps of:
 - providing data to a management information system for providing said facilitating entity with periodic reports; and
 - providing at least some of said Passenger Name Record data to said management information system.
22. (Original). A digital storage medium having instructions stored thereon configured to execute the method of claim 18.
23. (Previously Presented). A method for receiving automated fee billing associated with a travel agency, said method comprising the steps of:
 - providing user profile information including an account for billing of fees;
 - conducting a transaction with a merchant; and
 - receiving an account billing statement including a separate fee charged for the transaction based upon said user profile information, wherein said fee is reconciled with associated transaction costs in said account billing statement, and wherein said providing, conducting, and receiving steps are performed by at least one computer.

24. (Previously Presented). The method of claim 23 wherein said transaction is a ticket purchase.
25. (Previously Presented). The method of claim 23 wherein said transaction is emergency travel service assistance.
26. (Canceled).
27. (New). The method of claim 1, wherein said step of providing said descriptive billing statement includes providing a transaction instrument billing statement.
28. (New). The method of claim 3, wherein said step of receiving said Passenger Name Record includes receiving said Passenger Name Record having codes included in a comment section of said Passenger Name Record.